

Marshfield Conservation Commission
133rd Meeting
Meeting of 7 August 2019

Members Present: Taber Allison, Allen Banbury, Anne Miller, Bob Popp, Annie Reed, and Rachel Rudi

Visitors: Scott Williams and Lynn Tetrano

Minutes: Approved with minor corrections

Treasurers Report: No change from last week.except received some add'l funds from book.

Other Business

- Plan to have an open house soon perhaps end of the month. Plan to have a walkover of the property; Probably late afternoon during the week.
- Concerns re stormwater runoff so have county forester and wetlands biologist and Legacy forester.
- Ca 1/5 of 200 ac is presently being tapped.
- Have 3 lines: A,B and D. C was abandoned due to wetlands. All but D should be producing sap this year.
- Lords & Devils Hill built along with drew
- Infrastructure will be installed on Hardwood 2021
- Will install a DART landing on one of their pads.
- Will provide 100 ft buffers from streams & wetlands

RAMP Meeting

- No meeting for transportation com
- Energy: technology avail to replace woodstove and look into bulk purchase.
- Retrofit Twinfield to make more efficient.

Natural Marshfield

- Program on snakeworms. Several spp here all invasive from Japan or Korea
- Outcompete native worms and consume leaf litter so forest becomes drier.
- Remain close to surface as opposed to other worms
- Aug 28 Michael ticks
- Sept 25 Health Dept will discuss radon

Invasives

- Anne & Taber found lots of poison parsnip (*Pastinaca sativa*) on Ennis Hill

Stranahan Town Forest:

- New mgt plan is still in progress. Have subcommittees working on various aspects
- Want to do construction on Thompson Rd including ditches and dips to increase drainage in 3 areas:

- By parking lot
- South of Gunsey Brk
- Short steep slope north of Guensey Brk to cellar hole
- Estimate of \$14,000 for all three areas hopefully w/o town funds.
- Moonfield Trail still wet up to sugar woods. Consider rerouting but will ditch & drain.
- Concern about source of any fill
- Thompson Rd by Maple Lane Trail will be relocated to west about 20 ft for hikers & bikers for ca 75 ft. Snowmobiles etc will continue to use Thompson Rd. Will be on the 25th
- Lot off Pitkin Rd is being sold and may get key to gate from town to drive in Thompson Rd via Pitkin Rd.

Submitted by: Bob Popp

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Approved on: 4 Sept 2019